The Rhode Island Fire Safety Code Board of Appeal & Review met at their headquarters located at 1 Regan Court, Varley Building #46 in Cranston, RI on April 12, 2011 at 1:00 P.M. Present were Chairman Newbrook and Commissioners Richard, Blackburn, Preiss, Jasparro, Walker, Dias, Pearson and Filippi. Commissioner Jackson was absent. Also present were Executive Director Thomas B. Coffey Jr. and Administrative Assistant Desiree Campanini.

The following cases were heard.

APPEAL#110066: Mr. George Weavill, for the property located at 514 Smithfield Avenue, Pawtucket. DSFM Octavio Vieira and DSFM Paul Manning appeared for the State Fire Marshal's Office.

Chairman Newbrook recused himself from consideration of this case. Commissioner Blackburn made a motion. seconded by Commissioner Pearson to grant the Applicant a variance to provide separation between the classrooms located in the east-west hallway of this facility, with the condition that a fire rated door assembly be provided for the classrooms. The Board granted a time variance based on the Applicant's plan of action to bring this facility into full compliance at the direction and to the satisfaction of the State Fire Marshal's Office, prior to the commencement of the 2011- 2012 school year. The Board granted the State Fire Marshal's Office the authority to extend the deadlines, if good faith efforts are being shown by the Applicant. The motion passed with Commissioner Preiss opposing the vote.

APPEAL #080243, 080244, 080244, 080245, 080246, 080247, 080248 and 080249: R&W Realty, for the property located at Douglas Terrace (Buildings 1-7), North Providence. ADSFM Gregory Unsworth for the North Providence Fire Marshal's Office. Commissioner Blackburn made motion, a seconded by Commissioner Richard to grant a variance which will provide exit signage in each dwelling unit. The Applicant is directed to correct any outstanding deficiencies at the direction and to the satisfaction of the North Providence Fire Marshal's Office. The Board granted the Applicant a time variance of two (2) years (April 12, 2013) to bring this facility into full compliance, with the North Providence Fire Marshal's Office having the authority to extend the above deadline, if a good faith effort is being shown by the Applicant. The motion was unanimous.

APPEAL #090015: Hughes Associates, for the property located at 1190 Charles Street, North Providence. ADSFM Gregory Unsworth appeared for the North Providence Fire Marshal's Office. Commissioner Blackburn recused himself from consideration of this case. Commissioner Walker made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Richard to grant the Applicant the following time variances for this facility; a time variance of (120) days to upgrade the fire alarm system; a time variance of (60) days to install self closing devices on all apartment doors; a time variance of (60) days to install

a key access box for all apartments; a time variance of (30) days to replace all dryer vents. The North Providence Fire Marshal's Office has no objection to the Applicant's Plan of action for this facility. The motion passed.

APPEAL #090265: Ms. Maria Lamborghini, for the property located at 545 Smithfield Road, North Providence. ADSFM Gregory Unsworth appeared for the North Providence Fire Marshal's Office. Commissioner Jasparro made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Walker to grant the Applicant a time variance of thirty (30) days to submit a plan of action to the North Providence Fire Marshal's Office for the installation of a fire alarm system in this facility and an additional (120) days to implement that plan. The motion was unanimous.

APPEAL #080017: Sheahan Printing Corp., for the property located at 1 and 11 Front Street, Woonsocket. ADSFM Francis Dunton appeared for the Woonsocket Fire Marshal's Office. Commissioner Richard made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Filippi to grant the Applicant a time variance of thirty (30) days to submit a plan of action to the Woonsocket Fire Marshal's Office for either suitable separation between these buildings along with a fully compliant local fire alarm system or for the installation of a municipally connected fire alarm system in this facility. The Board further grants the Applicant an additional (120) days to implement that plan at the direction and to

the satisfaction of the Woonsocket Fire Marshal's Office. The Board granted the Woonsocket Fire Marshal's Office the authority to extend the above deadlines, if a good faith effort is being shown by the Applicant. The motion was unanimous.

APPEAL #080080: Mr. James Larue, for the property located at 663 Bernon Street, Woonsocket. ASDFM Francis Dunton appeared for the Woonsocket Fire Marshal's Office. Commissioner Walker made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Jasparro and Commissioner Richard to grant a time variance of thirty (30) days to submit a plan of action to the Woonsocket Fire Marshal's Office for the correction of all of outstanding deficiencies in this facility and an additional (120) days to implement that plan. The motion was unanimous.

APPEAL #080133: Mr. Nelson Miles was not in attendance for the hearing for the property located at 278-280 Rathbun Street, Woonsocket. ADSFM Francis Dunton appeared for the Woonsocket Fire Marshal's Office. The Woonsocket Fire Marshal's Office informed the Board that the above property has been sold and Mr. Nelson Miles is no longer the owner. Commissioner Jasparro made a motion seconded by Commissioner Blackburn to close the above file per the Woonsocket Fire Marshal's Office request. The motion was unanimous.

APPEAL #110028: Bucher Real Estate Partners LP., for the property

located at 572 Elm Street, Woonsocket. ADSFM Francis Dunton appeared for the Woonsocket Fire Marshal's Office. Commissioner Dias made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Filippi to grant the Applicant a variance based on structural hardship which will allow the means of egress to exit through the kitchen of this facility. The Board granted a variance to allow the Applicant to maintain the 1 3/8" solid core doors; a variance for the main entry doors swing which open against the means egress; a variance to allow the Applicant to supply domestically supplied sprinkler heads over the boiler located in the basement at the direction and the satisfaction of the Woonsocket Fire Marshal's Office. The Board granted the Woonsocket Fire Marshal's Office the authority to establish a reasonable timeline for the Applicant to bring this facility into full compliance. The motion was unanimous.

APPEAL #070537: Ms. Gail Doyle, for the property located at 935 West Shore Road, Warwick. ADSFM Peter Marietti appeared for the Warwick Fire Marshal's Office. Commissioner Pearson made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Jasparro to grant the Applicant a time variance of thirty (30) days for the installation of a fire extinguisher in this facility and a time variance of (120) days for the installation of an approved remote shutoff switch for the furnace and the installation of smoke / carbon monoxide detectors in this facility at the direction and to the satisfaction of the Warwick Fire Marshal's Office. The motion was unanimous.

APPEAL #070565: Mr. Leonard Beaumier, for the property located at 26-28 Whitford Street, Warwick. ADSFM Peter Marietti appeared for the Warwick Fire Marshal's Office. Commissioner Filippi made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Walker to grant the Applicant a time variance of thirty (30) days for the installation of emergency lighting and fire extinguishers in this facility at the direction and to the satisfaction of the Warwick Fire Marshal's Office. The motion was unanimous.

APPEAL # 080073: Mjz, LLC., for the property located at 470 Tollgate Road, Warwick. ADSFM Peter Marietti appeared for the Warwick Fire Marshal's Office. Commissioner Richard made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Dias to grant the Applicant a time variance of ninety (90) days for the installation of the domestic sprinkler head over the boiler. The Board granted the Applicant a time variance of thirty (30) days for the installation of self closing devices on the lower level doors leading to the exit passageway and the glass in the lower level of the exit enclosure to be brought into compliance at the direction and to the satisfaction of the Warwick Fire Marshal's Office. The motion was unanimous.

APPEAL #080079: Mr. James Taylor, for the property located at 1756 Post Road, Warwick. ADSFM Peter Marietti appeared for the Warwick Fire Marshal's Office. The Warwick Fire Marshal's Office advised the Board that all deficiencies have been corrected in this facility. The Applicant is requesting to close his file. Commissioner Preiss made

a motion, seconded by Commissioner Richard to close the Applicant's file there being no objection from the Warwick Fire Marshal's Office. The motion was unanimous.

APPEAL #080078: Mr. James Taylor, for the property located at 2616 West Shore Road, Warwick. ADSFM Peter Marietti appeared for the Warwick Fire Marshal's Office. Commissioner Walker made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Richard to grant the Applicant a time variance of six (6) months to demolish this facility. The Warwick Fire Marshal's Office has no objection to this time variance. The motion was unanimous.

APPEAL #080078: Mr. James Taylor, for the property located at 70 Centerville Road, Warwick. ADSFM Peter Marietti appeared for the Warwick Fire Marshal's Office. Commissioner Filippi made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Richard to grant the Applicant a time variance of six (6) months to either allow the Applicant to relocate this facility or install a fully compliant fire alarm system, at the direction and to the satisfaction of the Warwick Fire Marshal's Office. The motion was unanimous.

APPEAL #110079: Mr. Keith Burlingame, for the property located at 345 lves Road, Warwick. ADSFM Peter Marietti appeared for the Warwick Fire Marshal's Office. Commissioner Blackburn made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Pearson to grant the

Applicant a time variance until November of 2011 to submit a plan of action to the Warwick Fire Marshal's Office for the installation of a new fire alarm system in this facility and until April 1, 2012 to implement that plan of action. The motion was unanimous

## **Correspondence:**

A review of correspondence from Narragansett Fire Marshal James Given regarding a decision rendered by the Board for file#100282 for the property located at 105 Central Street, Narragansett. The Narragansett Fire Marshal's Office requested to have the previous decision amended due to the fact that this facility does not have metal ladder from the second floor apartments of this facility. Commissioner Richard made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Filippi to amend the previous decision due to the Narragansett Fire Marshal's Office information regarding this facility. The motion was unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

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